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AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-ARGININE

## AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated September 21, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this response.

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